

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
STANDARDS AND TRAINING FOR LOCAL CORRECTIONS AND
PROBATION OFFICERS
Title 15-Crime Prevention and Corrections
Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1**

Article 3. Minimum Standards for Training

Section 176, Juvenile Counselor Core Course: The proposed revision to the regulation will result in an increase in the minimum hours of instruction from 134 hours to 160 hours. For the Juvenile Corrections Officer Core Course, the Corrections Standards Authority conducted an updated job analysis in 2007. The job analysis involved input from local Adult Corrections Officers, supervisors, instructors and subject matter experts. The information was collected through a process of task force groups, on-site observations, document reviews, and written surveys.

The data and subsequent input indicated the need to increase the minimum number of hours in the Juvenile Corrections Officer Core Course from 134 hours to 160 hours in order to ensure staff proficiency in performing newly identified and expanded tasks.

The title was changed from Juvenile Counselor Core Course to Juvenile Corrections Officer Core Course to enhance clarity.